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Candidates for office are already beginning to loom up and, of course, each man has a right to cast his vote into the ring. But it will remain for the voters to decide their fate. The day for the "pull" is gone and every candidate must stand purely on his merits and no political machinery can run things, as in days gone by.

The week beginning September 21st will see the greatest livestock and race meeting at Portland that has been held in this city since the Lewis and Clark Exposition in 1905. The gathering here last week, participated in by the Oregon Pure-Bred Livestock Association and the North Pacific Fair Association, brought livestock men from all over the country, closing with a banquet at the Portland Commercial Club.

That little touch of "the Beautiful," which attempted to put in an appearance here, Sunday, served to remind the newcomers of what they are missing by having cast their lot in such a mild climate, for the snow melted almost as fast as it fell. However, the youngsters managed to get enough to indulge in a bit of snow-balling.

"The other day," said a man passenger in a street car, "I saw a woman in a street car open a satchel and take out a purse, close the satchel and open the purse, take out a dime and close the purse, open the satchel and put in the purse. Then she gave the dime to the conductor and took a nickel in exchange. Then she opened the satchel and took out the purse, closed the satchel and opened the purse, put in the nickel and closed the purse, opened the satchel and put in the purse, closed the satchel and looked both ends."

Time was when it was popular to make fun of prohibition. That day has passed. It has passed for two reasons: First, because prohibitionists are a more dignified and unified body than ever before. Where once the temperance army was accustomed to use more ammunition in shooting at its fellow soldiers than at the whisky enemy, there is now co-operative fighting against the common foe. Naturally, the fight is going on more successfully.

Every inhabitant of those American cities must be perfectly well aware that he pays more than he ought to pay for every one of the ordinary accompaniments of urban civilization, roads, water, light, protection of life and property, and that all these necessities, besides being supplied at exorbitant rates, are, as a rule, very bad of their kind. Every American knows that illicit profits upon municipal management or illicit enhancement of the price of commodities of commercial necessity are the origins and foundations of most of the colossal fortunes to which he points with a certain degree of pride, though they often constitute in reality not only a national disgrace but a national danger.—London Times.

Now that the important Horticultural Institute is a thing of the past, may we not expect to reap the great benefits which should naturally follow in its wake. Fruitgrowers should take a new lease on that most important industry, while the poultry men and Angora breeders have already made a most excellent beginning. With this trio, together with our important mining and timber interests, what more could be desired as a "backing" for any community. Certain it is that the people of this immediate vicinity have much to be thankful for and few, if any other communities can boast of such resources, as yet hardly touched.

It should be remembered that real prosperity does not consist in higher prices, but in the regular employment for all. Real hard times are those in which a portion of the people find nothing to do, and hence the great waste from idleness. Where everybody is busy in productive employment times are good. If we were to double all prices, nobody would be any better off. With rising prices some is at the expense of others, the gains and losses of different classes balancing, until a permanent higher level is established, when nobody is any better off than before. When large numbers of people are out of employment, however, whether prices are high or low, it means hard times.

#### Late Postal Ruling

Below we quote from a general order of the postmaster general which speaks for itself. The order is numbered 907.

Amend Section 456, postal laws and regulations to read as follows:

A reasonable time will be allowed to secure renewals of subscriptions, but unless subscriptions are expressly renewed after the term for which they are paid, within the following periods:

Dailies, within three months.  
Tri-weeklies, within six months.  
Semi-weeklies, within nine months.  
Weeklies, within one year.  
Monthly, within four months.  
Bi-monthlies, within six months.  
Quarterlies, within six months, they shall not be counted in the legitimate list of subscribers and copies mailed on account thereof shall not be accepted for mailing at the second-class postage rate of one cent a pound, but may be mailed at the transient second-class postage rate of one cent for each four ounces or fraction thereof, prepaid by stamps affixed.

The above order, issued by the postoffice department, is of vital importance to publishers and subscribers:

1. To publishers, who are required to pay postage rates on subscribers who are delinquent for the time specified four times the rate of postage they now pay. Publishers cannot do this, and hence they will be obliged to drop from their subscription lists the names of such delinquent subscribers.

2. To subscribers who let their subscriptions expire and become delinquent. Many if not all such desire to continue the paper without interruption and fail only because of unintentional neglect. Such subscribers, and all other delinquents may find themselves much inconvenienced by sudden stoppage of the paper to their address. If such inconvenience occurs, do not blame the publisher but charge it up to the postmaster-general who issued this order and pay up past indebtedness and subscribe at once with payment in advance and you will not receive further annoyance in this way. It will be better alike for publisher and subscribers if the delinquent subscription list were reduced to the minimum. May we not hope that publishers and subscribers may co-operate in this matter? The closer the subscription list comes to being an advance subscription list, as are always the subscription list of

big city newspapers and magazines, the better it is for publishers and subscribers.

One immediate effect of this order of the postmaster-general will be an increase in the number of subscribers who pay their subscriptions in advance.

### COMMERCIAL CLUB HAS AN IMPORTANT MEETING

An important meeting of the Commercial Club was held Tuesday evening, with a large attendance of the membership. In the matter of the advertising fund the committee reported that the citizens of Grants Pass had already subscribed over \$1800, which is the necessary amount needed to sign the contract with the Sunset Magazine Publishing Company for a page advertisement in their magazine for a year, and 20,000 pamphlets, 6x9 inches, containing 62 pages, illustrated, descriptive of Grants Pass and Josephine county. The matter was put before the members of the Club, who voted unanimously that the Club accept the offer and sign the contract. The advertisement will commence with the April number and continue to the following April publication.

The members were heartily in favor of paving Sixth street as well as Front street, the sentiment being quite strongly in favor of the idea.

A committee was appointed to look into the matter of providing Ladies' Rest room. This committee will interview the ladies of the city, regarding this matter.

The Poultry show deficit of \$15, was referred to the Fair committee, who will provide for the shortage.

The club had the pleasure of enrolling four new names, making a total of 108 members.

Wm. Bittle Wells, editor of the Sunset magazine, was to have been present, but owing to the lateness of the evening train was unable to attend.

### INLAND EMPIRE VISITORS ROYALLY WELCOMED

Special Correspondence.

Portland, Ore., Feb. 10, 1908.  
The great "Inland Empire" Excursion, under the auspices of the Spokane Chamber of Commerce and Walla Walla Commercial Club, spent Saturday in Portland, and were received with a heartiness and cordiality seldom witnessed.

There were acres of automobiles and carriages at the station when the party arrived at 11 o'clock, but before that they had been met by a committee of representative citizens, led by the Governor of Oregon and the Mayor of Portland, who joined the train some 40 miles out of the city. The procession from the depot up town was a remarkable sight—in fact, long before the last vehicle had left the station others were well out in the residence district, as it required 20 minutes to get the entire party under way. During all this time the bands played and the people cheered. There were some bright, short, crisp talks at the luncheon, with more extended speeches at the dinner.

This great excursion and the entertainment at Portland shows what can be accomplished by organization. Two prosperous commercial bodies of the state of Washington were received by the largest organization of its kind in this state, the Portland Commercial Club. All the advertisements in the local papers welcomed the guests, there were thousands of cards in the show windows of the stores reading "Portland welcomes her guests from the Inland Empire," "Spokane and Walla Walla do things right," "The Inland Empire makes Portland THE wheat port of the Pacific," etc. It was a happy and successful day. These 220 excursionists are now in California at work getting people there interested in the Pacific Northwest country.

Seventy-nine organizations are now included in the Oregon Development League, the latest being the Oak Grove Improvement Association, and all the active ones are working to secure new people. The \$30 rate from Winnipeg, St. Paul, Kansas City, and all the Middle West is good on all railroads from March 1st to April 30th, with proportionate rate from every station in the United States and Canada. Every letter that goes out of Oregon ought to make mention of this and the fact that the low fare applies to Ashland, Salem, Baker City, Astoria, or any other point in Oregon just as it does to Portland, but people must ask for tickets to the point desired when they buy them.

W. A. Watts, president of the Bronson & Townsend Co., Hardware Jobbers of New Haven, Conn., spent a couple of days in this city, this week, as the guest of his friends, Messrs. L. L. Jewell and Geo. S. Calhoun. He is on the coast looking after some business interests.

### CANDIDATES CARDS

**S. F. CHESHIRE**  
Of Grants Pass  
Republican Candidate for Nominee  
COUNTY CLERK

**O. S. GOODNOW**  
Of Grants Pass  
Republican Candidate for Nominee  
FOR STATE SENATOR  
From Josephine County  
"I stand by statement No. 1"

I further state to the people of Oregon as well as to the people of my legislative district that during my term of office I will always vote for that candidate for United States Senator in Congress who has received the highest number of the people's votes for that position at the general election next preceding the election of a senator in congress, without regard to my individual preference  
O. S. GOODNOW.

**ECLUS POLLOCK**  
of Grants Pass  
Republican Candidate for Nominee  
for  
ASSESSOR

**GUS NEWBURY**  
of Jacksonville  
Republican Candidate for Nominee  
for  
DISTRICT ATTORNEY

**W. J. RUSSELL**  
of Grants Pass  
Democratic Candidate for Nominee  
for  
SHERIFF

**E. E. DUNBAR**  
of Grants Pass  
Republican Candidate for Nominee  
for  
COUNTY CLERK

John B. Griffin, of Holland, Josephine county, is greeting old tillicums in Ashland. It is his first visit here for half a dozen years and the place has grown out of his knowledge until he can scarcely get his bearings. Years ago John and his dog "Trailer" were the terrors of bear in this region. He resided on a ranch in the Dead Indian country east of Ashland, whence he went on such frequent successful quests for brain that his reputation as a bear hunter spread far and wide. He is now engaged in the more peaceful and profitable occupation of farming and dairying and has abandoned bear hunting altogether.—Ashland Tidings.

### CLASSIFIED ADS.

**NEW TODAY.**  
WANTED—One or two men with some experience to prune apple trees. Martin Angel, Western Hotel. 2-14 1t

**FOR SALE**—40 acres land on Rogue River two miles from Grants Pass, about 15 acres rich bottom land, cleared, some good timber on balance. Terms \$300 down, \$20 a month without interest on balance. Also 35 acres grape land one mile from Grants Pass on Rogue River. Low price and easy terms. Address P. O. Box 571, Medford, Ore. 2-14 2t

**INCUBATOR**—Wanted—good second hand Petaluma incubator, 216 capacity and brooder, write P. O. Box 215, Grants Pass, Or. 2-14 1t

**HELP WANTED**—Young lady to learn to become an operator. Apply to A. T. Marshall, Manager Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Co. 2-14 1t

**Single Comb Rhode Island Reds** exclusively. I'm the pioneer Red breeder of Southern Oregon. I won prize for best pen at last show. Vigorous stock, fine layers. Eggs \$2 per setting. Cockerel for sale. M. E. Moore, Box 574. 2-14 1t

**FOR SALE.**  
A BARGAIN—100 head of goats, about 60 nannies, registered, four fine bucks. Here's a chance to get something good, an extra choice lot. I. A. Dean, Riddle, Ore. 1-17 8t

**FOR SALE**—Early Excelsior and Oregon Evergreen strawberry plants, best early rate market varieties, fine shippers and canners. \$3.50 per thousand. Best selected plants 75 cents per hundred. Inquire of J. Sams, R. F. D. No. 2, Grants Pass, Ore. 1-17 6t

**FOR SALE**—Jersey Heifer Calves—Thoroughbred Stock—\$5 each. Ask of R. G. Scott, The Dairyman. 1-17 1t

**HORSES and Wagons** for sale. Inquire of J. M. Mason, Merilo. 1-17 4t

**FOR SALE**—Six head, full blood Hereford Bulls—R. P. George, Kerty, Ore. 11-1 1t

## THE ORIGINAL Bijou Theatre

IS NOW OPEN

And the management offers to the public the best moving pictures and illustrated songs money can procure, no flickering or hurting the eyes, everything first class. A show for the ladies and children, come and see us in our beautiful little theatre located on Front st. between 6th and 7th, and be convinced.

**A CONTINUOUS PERFORMANCE**  
beginning at 7:15 p.m. Matinee every afternoon at 3  
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## Change IN Firm

The increase in business has necessitated our enlarging, and Mr. J. F. Klein, an experienced eastern tailor is now a partner in this Tailoring establishment. We make a specialty of

### FASHIONABLE TAILORING

And are well prepared to please the most fastidious tastes, both in the manner of fashionable suiting and up-to-date styles.

### Cleaning and Repairing

Done with neatness and dispatch. Our work is guaranteed to give entire satisfaction.

Come and see us if you need anything in our line

## ROPER & KLEIN

COURIER BUILDING GRANTS PASS, OREGON

## For BARGAINS IN REAL ESTATE

Fruit and Tokay Grape lands, see us before buying, as we are in a position to give you bottom prices. Address us for pamphlet. : : : :

## GILLETTE REALTY COMPANY

Ground Floor, Conklin Bldg., Grants Pass, Oregon

**FOR SALE**—J. H. Robinson & Son, R. F. D. No. 2, Grants Pass, Breeders and Sellers of Thoroughbred Short-horn Cattle, Poland-China Hogs, Bronze Turkeys and Brown Leg-horn Chickens. Fine Short-horn Bull, which cannot be used with herd, for sale at Reasonable Price. Will furnish pairs of Hogs—Boar and Sow that are of no kin. Turkeys and Chicken Ploids headed each season by Imported Birds and Eggs. Guaranteed Fertile and just as represented. 1-10 1t.

**WANTED.**  
NORTHERN California Lumber Co., Hills, Cal., can use immediately 40 head of horses for their keep. Giving employment to their drivers at \$2 per day. Work grading railroad. 1-31 2t

**TEAM WANTED**—Anyone having workable team, who wants it kept through winter months for light work, apply to Chas. Messerv for particulars. 12-20 1t

**WANTED**—Salesmen. Many Make \$100 to \$150 per month; some even more. Stock clean, grown on Reservation, far from old orchards. Cash advanced weekly. Choice of territory. Address Washington Nursery Company, Torpenish, Washington.

**MISCELLANEOUS.**  
SPRAYING—Have your fruit trees sprayed by Calhoun & Dossie. Leave orders at Geo. S. Calhoun Clothing Store. 2-7 1t

**FOR SALE**—Three Work Horses for sale at Moody's Wood Yard. 1-17 2t

**PLANTS**  
**Name of Our Farm, Bonny Brier**  
Situated on upper 10th St. Here we have a lot of Logan and Phenomenal "tips" for sale. Logans at \$2 per 100 Phenomenals at \$4 per 100. Also Glen Mary strawberry plants at \$4 per 1000. For sale, a heavy wagon, harness and 14 inch plow. W. J. Sturgess. 1-31 3t

**BARGAIN IN WOOD**—Two-thirds worth of 200 tiers of Dry Oak given for the cutting of same. Nine miles from Grants Pass. Ask at Courier Office for particulars. 1-17 1t

## The Southern Oregon State Normal School

at Ashland offers especial opportunities for teachers to review for the Teacher's Examinations in February and August and to take work in Pedagogy and in Special Methods of teaching in the various grades of the training school. Since the public school of Oregon are calling for teachers who can teach Manual Training, many are taking advantage of the industrial work lately installed in the school. The State Normal School at Ashland is enjoying the largest appropriation of State funds ever granted a Normal School in the history of Oregon. Catalogues sent on application to the President.